

## SOUTH CAROLINA GIRLS WIN PRIZES IN THRIFT CONTEST

Banks Throughout District Offering Awards to School Children to Encourage Savings Movement of United States Treasury Department—Essays Show Remarkable Grasp of Principles of Campaign.

To further the thrift and savings movement of the United States Treasury Department, banking houses throughout the Fifth Federal Reserve District are offering prizes to school children for the best essays on "Thrift." There soon will be tens of thousands of school children members of War Savings Societies in this district and a great many essays and compositions probably will be written. The endorsement of the movement by the banks is a matter of gratification to William R. Timmons, Director of the Educational Division of the War Loan Organization

at Richmond, Va., because no institution know better than the banks the value of thrift and the prosperity which unfailingly follows in its wake. In a recent contest conducted in Blackville, S. C., by the Bank of Western Carolina, prizes were awarded to two little girls—Miss Dorothy Ninestein, a ninth grade pupil, and Miss Mary Still of the sixth grade. The essays submitted by these two little ladies exhibit in a remarkable degree how the school children of the district have grasped the fundamental principles of the thrift movement. Pictures of the girls are here given together with the essay written by each.



Dorothy Ninestein.



Mary Still.

### THRIFT ESSAY.

Following every war there comes a period of reconstruction. This condition prevails even in the United States at the present time. The course which we take now will greatly determine the part which we will be able to take in the future. Washington said "Nothing but harmony, honesty, industry and frugality are necessary to make us a great and happy nation." The United States possesses every one of these qualities but frugality. Now we must seek that.

First, let us be sure that we know what we are seeking before we begin our quest. Frugality or thrift means only good management. Sensible management depends upon considering the needs of yourself, your family and your nation, not only at the present but also for the future.

It is not only a man's duty to save for himself but it is his patriotic duty. Are you patriotic? Undoubtedly your answer will be in the affirmative. Then how do you show it? Do you sing the Star Spangled Banner and display silk flags or are you a real patriot who without much display works for the good of the nation? By saving you increase the capital of the nation and promote the thrift.

Saving promotes character; makes a better citizen; increases the general happiness.

The United States is a wealthy nation. It is, however, a nation which is known by the world as an extravagant nation. Although wages are higher and opportunities are great American people are not generally individually classed as well-to-do with the people of other nations where opportunities are smaller. Money is easily earned, and as readily spent.

Government census statistics show that sixty-six of every hundred persons dying in this country have absolutely no estate. Of every one hundred persons who reach the age of sixty-five there are only three who are not partly or wholly dependent upon friends, relatives or charity for food, clothing and shelter. This condition is not the result of anything but extravagance.

The future of our nation depends upon the boys and girls of today. They are taught to spend money now is the way that they will always spend it. It is impossible to succeed unless one can live with less expenditures than their income will easily cover. Teach the children to spend wisely and conscientiously. Washington said "Economy makes happy homes and sound nations. Instill it deep."

### QUAKER ACROSTIC.

(Read both ways)

The man who saveth money  
Hath his future guaranteed.  
Remorse o'er substance wasted  
Is unknown to him, indeed.  
Fortune smileth on him  
Things he hath, as he may need.

The man who spendeth wisely;  
Hath no idle, wasted hour;  
Ruleth cities—even nations—  
Interest for him doth flower.  
For he learneth as he liveth  
Thrift succeedeth—THRIFT IS FORTUNE.  
(Moral—Buy War Savings Stamps.)

### ESSAY ON THRIFT.

Not only did the gallantry of our American soldiers help win this great European War, but the thrift of the American people played one of the most important parts.

It not only kept its own massive army going, but it has helped to feed and clothe thousands of starving people in other countries.

Thrift among us was first begun when our forefathers first came to America, for besides liberty this was one of the great causes of immigration, as it did not count for anything in the countries of bondage.

The thrift of our forefathers helped them gain the great war with England, and so gave us our liberty and freedom.

George Washington, the founder of the nation, had his thriftpigrams for the nation as well as for his personal success. Here are some: "Economy makes happy homes and sound nations. Instill it deep." "Nothing but harmony, honesty, industry and frugality are necessary to make us a great and happy nation." Now our task has been so great in this great war, and we have had to lend so much money that thrift means a great deal more now.

We are being taught more about it than ever before.

Thrift means success and to make a success you have to have system with everything you spend and see that you always have some of your income to put in the bank. Let each member of the family do a part of the work and encourage them to be saving, allow the children a fee for their work and encourage them to save it and you will soon see still more Thrift Stamps sold; they will grow to be War Savings Stamps.

Just because the war is over doesn't mean that we have to stop conserving our food, but we must raise all that is possible, can all the surplus, use all perishable stuff and save the unperishable.

To be economical doesn't mean not to have wholesome pleasure, nutritious food and proper clothing; we must see that our income is enough to more than cover our expenses and have enough for rainy days.

We Americans are naturally extravagant people, but our women are learning each day to be more saving, and are doing their house work and all their other work in a more business-like way.

One-half dozen nail-makers decided to go into business with a little money they had saved from their earnings. This is now the \$25,000,000 Steel Corporation of Steubenville, Ohio.

"The practice of thrift will cause a new era in American life."—Wm. G. McAdoe.

So let all the towns and communities work together at the homes and so make the whole nation a thrifty and more civilized world.

There's a "V" in every War Savings Stamp. If you don't believe it—look again. Or hold W. S. S. until maturity and be shown.

The holes in a sieve are small but water runs out mighty fast. Does your money dribble away? Save it in Thrift Stamps.

## The Monkey Driver



Thrift will keep you  
in the road  
Buy War Savings Stamps

## OF INTEREST TO THE FARMERS

BY W. F. HOWELL, COUNTY AGENT.

### The Value of a Cover Crop.

This is the time of the year that the farmer who is interested in the improvement of his soil is thinking about and planning for a cover crop for his land this year. No farmer can hope to have a cover crop on all his fields, but every farmer should have some crop on at least a part of his farm, especially on those fields that are likely to wash during the winter or those that are low in fertility.

The advantages of a cover crop are as follows:

It holds the soil together during the winter, and prevents washing and gullying by the winter rains.

It takes up that plant food that becomes available out of the normal growing season, thereby preventing its loss through the drainage water, etc. This is especially true of the nitrogen or ammonia.

Cover crops like clover, vetches and the other legumes add to the supply of nitrogen in the soil. Nitrogen is the element we have to apply most to our soils, and is the one most likely to be deficient. It is very easily lost, and very expensive to buy in the form of commercial fertilizers.

The cover crops may be used to build up the humus content of the soil by plowing under in the spring, or they may be allowed to mature and produce hay or seed.

Crops like rye, alfalfa and oats can be grazed in the spring, and furnish good succulent feed for growing stock.

The greatest value of the cover crop, judiciously grown and utilized, is not its present return to the farmer, but its effect in building up the permanent fertility of his soil.

The best cover crops for Lancaster county are crimson clover, burr clover, oats and vetch, rye, and oats alone. Of course where oats are grown they are not grown as a cover crop in the sense we generally use the term, but, nevertheless, the crop during the winter and spring helps hold the soil together and takes up the ammonia as it becomes available for plant food.

### Care of Sow and Litter.

Very little, if any, feed should be given the day before or the day after farrowing. In fact, the sow should not be fed heavily during the first week after farrowing. The feed should be increased as the milk flow increases until the sow is on full feed. Such feeds as buttermilk, wheat middlings, wheat shorts, and ground oats should furnish part of the food to which should be added corn or rice meal. Fresh clean water should be provided at all times. Sows with pigs should be liberally fed, for it is at this time that the pigs make their most economical gains. While suckling, the pigs may derive practically all of their nourishment from their dams and such a source of nourishment represents the most profitable gains. Therefore, the brood sows should be well fed, for even then when suckling a large litter the sow will lose flesh. The following rations are recommended for sows suckling pigs:

Wheat shorts or middlings 1 lb., to 3 lbs. skim milk.  
Corn four parts, wheat middlings, 1 part by weight.

Corn nine parts, tankage 1 part by

weight.

When in a dry lot the sow will require from 4 to 5 per cent of her live weight in feed. Should she have access to forage crops such as cow peas, soy beans, rape, crimson clover, alfalfa, etc., from 1 1/2 to 2 per cent of her weight in the above mentioned grain mixture will usually be enough. The essential point is to study the sow and increase or decrease the feed as the individual warrants.

### Inoculation for Crimson Clover.

Crimson clover will succeed wherever cowpeas will, provided the necessary inoculation be supplied. Land that has been growing red clover, alsike, or little white clover successfully will grow crimson clover without the inoculation being made either by soil being applied or the artificial cultures being used. In securing inoculated soil from a field growing one of these clovers remove the first inch, and then get your soil from the next four or five inches. If soil is used, perhaps the best and quickest way to use it is to make a solution of one pound of lime and 15 pounds of water (or equal parts of molasses and water), and when the seed have been spread on a sheet, spray and roll them on sheet until each seed is sticky, then use equal parts of seed and soil, roll again until each seed is covered with soil, and sow as soon as possible, immediately covering not more than 1/2 inch. The sun should not shine on the seed after being treated.

The inoculated soil can be applied directly to the field to be planted, 300 to 500 lbs. will give fair results if sown and immediately covered.

The artificial cultures are reliable and easily applied to the seed. Cards for obtaining free inoculating cultures for the various legumes from the Department of Agriculture can be obtained from your county agent.

### Lancaster County Peaches Destroyed By Brown Rot.

I notice almost every peach orchard in the county is affected with brown rot, and the peach crop is short enough already without losing what few are left from the late frosts.

About the only thing that can be done now is to pick up all (???) fruits and gather all diseased fruits from the trees and burn or bury them. It is this diseased fruit that carries the rot over the winter. Clean up the orchard thoroughly this fall, and next spring get ready to spray to prevent the reappearance of the disease. There should be a large crop of peaches next year, because the few on the trees now will enable many fruit buds to develop this summer.

Brown rot is kept down by spraying with self-boiled lime sulphur. The spray is cheap enough, easily made and if applied at the proper time will keep your orchard free from the disease.

### Mounding Peach Trees.

Now is the time to pull the dirt up around the trunk of your peach trees, for the control of the peach tree bor-

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er. Make the mound at least 10 or 12 inches high. If the trees are young, or you have only a few of them the trunks may be wrapped in building paper before the mound is drawn up. Tie this paper tightly at the top and let it extend several inches into the dirt. The mound at the base of peach and plum trees forces the moths, which emerge in this section about the 1st of August, to lay their eggs up on the tree where the young borers can be easily handled.

The mound is removed in the fall after the first good frost, and re-inspected for borers. A little work the next few weeks will save a great deal later on, to say nothing of the damage that might otherwise be done to your trees.

### Pig and Corn Club Work to Be Revived.

In a letter to all pig club members the county demonstration agent announces that the work of the corn and pig clubs in this county will be carried on and broadened. This work has been allowed to lay behind since Mr. Graeber resigned to take the county agency of Lee county. At present there are 66 members of the pig club in Lancaster county and ten members of the corn club. Efforts will be made to get new members, and also to stimulate the work of the old members. Those members who have kept up their work are very enthusiastic over it, and the returns are going to be profitable at the end of the season. One club member sold three young pigs at a total of \$80.00 for the three.

### TRIBUTE OF RESPECT TO

MISS ETTA MAE TAYLOR

Whereas, the death angel has again invaded our ranks, taken from us a promising young woman;

And, whereas, we desire to show our appreciation of our deceased sister,

Therefore, be it resolved by this committee for the senior class No. 4 of our Sunday school, that in the death of Etta Mae Taylor our Sunday school class at Tabernacle has lost one of its most faithful attendants and our church one of her promising young members;

That we mourn her untimely death and extend our heartfelt sympathy to her bereaved family.

Resolved further, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to her bereaved family and a copy furnished the county paper and the Southern Christian Advocate for publication.

Annie Carnes.

Annie Mildred Rowell.

Beulah Taylor.

Committee.

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## Life Was a Misery

Mrs. F. M. Jones, of Palmer, Okla., writes:

"From the time I entered into womanhood . . . I looked with dread from one month to the next. I suffered with my back and bearing-down pain, until life to me was a misery. I would think I could not endure the pain any longer, and I gradually got worse. . . Nothing seemed to help me until, one day, . . . I decided to

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